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		JP	5-4336	B2	01-19-1993	SHOWA DENKO KK	Abstract
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		JP	62-9256	B2	02-27-1987	Vereinigte Aluminium-Werke Aktiengesellschaft	

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